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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the following documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits and is therefore submitted as both timely and proper.

Applicant states under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e)(1) that some of the publications were cited in an International Search Report issued in connection with a counterpart Patent Cooperation Treaty application. Also enclosed is a copy of the Search Report, mailed April 4, 2001, for the Examiner's review.



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It is respectfully requested that the information above be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application and that the publication be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

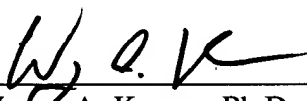
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Copies of the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 are submitted herewith. It is respectfully requested that the Examiner initial and return a copy of the enclosed PTO-1449 with the next Patent Office communication.

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Respectfully submitted,

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